

## PLAYGROUND SPORTS PLEASE PROMOTER

Children Give Good Example in Behavior to Older Athletes.

The tournament Thursday at five of the public playgrounds was the most successful that has yet been held under the auspices of the Washington Playground Association. There were in the neighborhood of 1,000 contestants in the different events, and everything went off smoothly.

The referees were unanimous in saying that they never had seen events better contested, or which passed off with less unpleasantness. Rudolph Jose was the referee at the meet at the Howard playground and deserves credit for his work. Everything was carried through satisfactorily, and much credit also should be given the teachers who were in charge.

With but few exceptions, the competitions in all of the events were heated, and the finishes exciting and close. The sportsmanship of losers as well as winners was gratifying to the officials, and might well be taken as standards by older athletes.

Virginia Avenue defeated North Capitol in the dual games between these two, by 121 to 57. The Howard team defeated the Cardozo and Fourteenth and C street teams, the scores being 39, 40, and 23, respectively. The representatives of the Juvenile Court grounds won from Rosedale by 112 to 77, and from Industrial Home, the scores being 120, 75, and 73, respectively.

### Complete Summaries.

Following are the summaries and complete scores:

Result of meet between Virginia Avenue and North Capitol:

25-yard dash for girls under ten—Rose Friedberg, Virginia Avenue, won; Lulu Heger, Virginia Avenue, second; Eva Rosenberg, North Capitol, third.

25-yard dash for boys under ten—W. Burns, Virginia Avenue, won; G. Mader, Virginia Avenue, second; S. Lushy, Virginia Avenue, third.

50-yard dash for girls under thirteen—Eleanor Brown, Virginia Avenue, won; Ruth Kulmert, Virginia Avenue, second; Estelle Wilson, North Capitol, third.

50-yard dash for boys under thirteen—Byron Hager, Virginia Avenue, won; C. Meado, North Capitol, second; E. Sherman, North Capitol, third.

60-yard dash for boys under sixteen—C. Rosenberg, North Capitol, won; R. Grace, Virginia Avenue, second; E. Dwyer, North Capitol, third.

100-yard dash for boys under sixteen—C. Rosenberg, North Capitol, won; R. Grace, Virginia Avenue, second; E. Dwyer, North Capitol, third.

100-yard dash for boys under sixteen—Gordon Law, Virginia Avenue, won; T. Stokes, North Capitol, second; L. Hager, Virginia Avenue, third.

80-yard relay for boys under sixteen—Won by North Capitol.

100-yard relay for fifteen girls under thirteen—Won by Virginia Avenue.

Potato race for boys under thirteen—J. Leaman, Virginia Avenue, won; E. Anderson, Virginia Avenue, second; E. McCleary, Virginia Avenue, third.

100-yard dash for boys under sixteen—E. Lindsay, North Capitol, won; J. Leaman, Virginia Avenue, second; C. Rosenberg, North Capitol, third.

Running high jump for boys under 16—Joe Hopkins, Virginia Avenue, won; J. Mader, North Capitol, second; E. McCleary, North Capitol, third.

Running broad jump for boys under 16—Byron Hager, Virginia Avenue, won; J. Mader, North Capitol, second; E. McCleary, North Capitol, third.

Running high jump for boys under 16—Joe Hopkins, Virginia Avenue, won; J. Mader, North Capitol, second; E. McCleary, North Capitol, third.

Running broad jump for boys under 16—Byron Hager, Virginia Avenue, won; J. Mader, North Capitol, second; E. McCleary, North Capitol, third.

Indoor baseball for girls under 16—Won by Virginia Avenue, score 8-1.

Tether ball for girls under 16—Won by Virginia Avenue, score 4-1.

Croquet for girls under 16—S. Workoff, won; C. Ward, second.

Basketball for boys under 16—Won by Virginia Avenue, score 4-0.

Volley ball for boys under 16—Won by Virginia Avenue, score 21-16.

Final score of points:

25-yard dash—girls..... 5 9

50-yard dash—girls..... 5 9

60-yard dash—boys under 13..... 3 3

60-yard dash—boys under 16..... 2 4

100-yard dash—boys under 13..... 4 2

80-yard relay—boys..... 9 16

50-yard relay—girls..... 3 3

Potato race—boys under 13..... 3 3

Running high jump—boys under 16..... 2 4

Running broad jump—boys under 16..... 2 4

Indoor baseball—girls under 16..... 5 1

Tether ball for girls under 16..... 5 1

## Sea Girl Rifle Matches Will Be Started in September

New York State Association and United States Revolver Events Will Be Held in Jersey—Most Important Shoot Is for Dryden Trophy.

SEA GIRL RANGE, N. J., Aug. 15.—Of scarcely less importance to the military world than the great national matches now in progress at Camp Perry, Ohio, are those which will take place at Sea Girl, N. J., from September 4 to 12, inclusive. In addition to the New Jersey matches, those of the New York State Rifle Association and the United States Revolver Association will be held at the same time. The range at Sea Girl, always commodious and well equipped, has been extended and improved, reduced railroad rates have been secured, and a large attendance is guaranteed.

The most important match will be for the Dryden Trophy, a magnificent piece of bronze, presented by former Senator Dryden, to be competed for by teams of eight from the same branches of the military service eligible to the National Trophy Match. It is shot at 200, 300, and 400 yards. The trophy carries with it cash prizes from \$50 to \$150. The Interstate Regimental match for the Briggs Trophy, presented by Senator Briggs of New Jersey, will be shot at 200 yards, with a team of six. With the trophy goes a medal to each man on the winning team with cash prizes to the second, third, and fourth teams.

### Match for Novices.

The company team match, for teams of five at 200 and 300 yards, carries cash prizes with medals for the first three teams. For the non-winners there will be a company team match (five) for teams of three, the prize being the Peters Trophy, which goes to the winning team with gold medals to the members of the second and third teams. In the Columbia Trophy match teams of six will compete at 200, 300, 400, and 500 yards for medals and cash prizes in addition to the trophy.

Teams of five will compete in the cavalry team match, which is restricted to the cavalry, with a team of six, and engineer corps of the army and National Guard. Here again the prizes are gold, silver, and bronze medals, accompanied by cash. An interesting event, established last year, is the Gould rapid fire team match, for which the trophy was presented in memory of Arthur Gould, "a friend of rifle practice." This is a four team match, and the conditions are unique in that they provide for a skiffish run and ten shots rapid fire at 200 yards.

### Matches Open to Civilians.

As a general proposition the Sea Girl matches for individuals are open to civilians as well as military men, thus providing a larger field and more interesting competition than would otherwise be the case. Prominent among these is the Sea Girl championship match, presented by Governor Fort, of New Jersey, accompanied

Volley ball for boys under nineteen—Won by Howard. Score, 21 to 5.

Final score of points:

25-yard dash—girls..... 2 4

50-yard dash—girls..... 1 5

60-yard dash—boys under 13..... 6 0

60-yard dash—boys under 16..... 2 3

100-yard dash—boys under 13..... 1 5

100-yard dash—boys under 16..... 3 1

50-yard relay—girls..... 9 9

Potato race—boys under 13..... 4 2

Potato race—boys under 16..... 3 3

Running high jump—boys under 16..... 2 4

Running broad jump—boys under 16..... 2 4

Indoor baseball—girls under 16..... 6 0

Tether ball for girls under 16..... 18 0

Croquet for girls under 16..... 0 5

Volley ball—boys under 16..... 4 0

Volley ball—boys under 19..... 12 0

Volley ball—boys under 19..... 12 0

Courtesy..... 29 39

Result of meet between Howard, Cardozo and Fourteenth and C:

25-yard dash for girls under ten—F. Scott, Cardozo, won; L. Gatewood, Howard, second; D. Dwyer, Howard, third.

50-yard dash for boys under ten—L. Betters, Howard, won; C. Waters, Howard, second; E. Dandridge, Cardozo, third.

50-yard dash for girls under thirteen—N. Williams, Cardozo, won; L. White, Cardozo, second; D. Mines, Howard, third.

60-yard dash for boys under thirteen—R. Swails, Howard, won; W. Cuffe, Howard, second; R. Gurt, Howard, third.

60-yard dash for boys under sixteen—J. Dandridge, Cardozo, won; C. Duckett, Howard, second; C. Harris, Fourteenth and C, third.

by a line of cash prizes. Another is the individual rapid fire match at 300 yards in which the competitors are permitted to fire as many shots as possible in one minute. This will provide an interesting test for the new Springfield rifle.

The All-comers Military match at 200 and 300 yards is another re-entry match, as is the Hayes match and the Gen. E. P. Meany match and the M. J. S. R. A. Trophy match. All have trophies as well as cash prizes. Other matches of the New Jersey State Rifle Association are the Spencer match of 15 shots at 1,000 yards, the Members match, Reading match for tyros, Marlin Trophy, Souvenir Medal, Off-Hand, Hale, Press, and Officers and Inspectors matches. There will also be some revolver matches including a revolver team match, a novice military revolver, all-comers rapid fire military, any revolver, a pistol match, disappearing target, bobber and others.

The matches of the New York State Rifle Association are headed by the company team match at 200, 500, and 600 yards, open to teams of four. This match is open to teams from foreign governments and registered clubs and societies, as well as to the army, navy, and national guard. Gen. E. A. MacArthur presents a trophy for the MacArthur trophy match. These are both team matches, as are the Seventy-first Regiment trophy skiffish and rapid fire and the Old Guard Trophy matches. The Thurston match at 800 and 500 yards is open to everybody, but the N. Y. S. R. A. match is open only to members.

### For Wingate Prize.

In the Wingate all-comers' short range match at 200 yards the first prize is a trophy valued at \$300 presented by Gen. George W. Wingate. "The father of rifle practice," and in the Rogers all-comers' mid-range match at 300 yards the prize is a handsome cup presented by Lieut. H. H. Rogers, Jr. Accompanying these is the Maj. Gen. Charles F. Roe all-comers' long range match at 1,000 yards. There will also be a rapid fire, members, membership, and a revolver team match. To revolver marksmen, the great event of the year is the meeting of the United States Revolver Association, which comprises four great matches. The first is the championship match for any revolver, which carries with it the revolver championship of the United States together with the championship cup. This cup has been held for the last three years by John A. Doetz, Jr. Second is the any pistol championship match also for a silver cup and the pistol championship. Third is the military revolver championship match, which carries the title of champion and in which the trophy is a magnificent silver bowl. With these is the military revolver record match, with unlimited entries.

Volley ball for boys under 15—Won by Rosedale. Score, 21-11.

Final score of points:

25-yard dash—girls..... 1 5

50-yard dash—girls..... 3 3

60-yard dash—boys under 13..... 6 0

60-yard dash—boys under 16..... 2 3

100-yard dash—boys under 13..... 1 5

100-yard dash—boys under 16..... 3 1

50-yard relay—girls..... 9 9

Potato race—boys under 13..... 4 2

Potato race—boys under 16..... 3 3

Running high jump—boys under 16..... 2 4

Running broad jump—boys under 16..... 2 4

Indoor baseball—girls under 16..... 6 0

Tether ball for girls under 16..... 18 0

Croquet for girls under 16..... 0 5

Volley ball—boys under 16..... 4 0

Volley ball—boys under 19..... 12 0

Volley ball—boys under 19..... 12 0

Courtesy..... 29 39

Result of meet between Towers, Jefferson, and Industrial Home School:

25-yard dash for girls under ten—L. Evans, Jefferson, won; I. Sacrey, Jefferson, second; M. Cogswell, third.

50-yard dash for boys under ten—J. Gerardi, Jefferson, won; R. Miller, Jefferson, second; R. Webster, Towers, third. Time, 4 seconds.

50-yard dash for girls under thirteen—L. A. Morris, Jefferson, won; B. Shultz, Towers, second; V. Riley, Towers, third. Time, 7 seconds.

60-yard dash for boys under thirteen—G. Beyer, Jefferson, won; L. Hunt, Towers, second; A. Stern, Jefferson, third. Time, 7 1/2 seconds.

60-yard dash for boys under sixteen—M. Beck, Towers, won; J. Carroll, Industrial Home, second; P. Gerardi, Jefferson, third. Time, 12 1/2 seconds.

## BOMB BURSTS, 1,000 FROM THEIR BEDS

Wrecks First Floor of Building—Italian Object of Blackmail.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Hurling every occupant of the house from their beds and wrecking the lower floor, a dynamite bomb was exploded early today in the hallway of a tenement at 186 Hamilton avenue, Brooklyn, by "Black Hand" agents. More than a thousand scantily clad Italians living in the house and tenements adjoining rushed to the street, and for more than an hour great excitement prevailed.

The bomb, the police declare, was intended for Leopold Paccelli, a wealthy grocer living on the first floor of the house, and who refused to give \$5,000 to the blackmailers.

Paccelli, who owns the tenements at 185 and 184, has a large grocery store on the ground floor of 186 Hamilton avenue and lives in the rear wing. His wife and four sons, Carlo, eighteen; Pasquale, fourteen; Charles, ten, and Louis, six.

He left the house before daylight to go to the market for fruit, and had hardly left the door when the bomb exploded. Salvatore Vennalio, who lives on the second floor of the house, had heard Paccelli leave and started after him, as he had promised to help him load his wagon in the market. As Vennalio reached the lower hall he saw a long black object lying near the door leading to the grocery store, a fuse sputtered at one end. He rushed back up the stairs to get a pail of water, but before he reached the top the explosion had taken place and the man was hurled the full length of the hall.

Mrs. Paccelli and her four sons had all been blown from their beds and buried beneath the plaster from the ceiling which had fallen.

When Paccelli returned from the market to find his home wrecked he told the story of the Black Hand threats to the police. He said that it was more than a year since he had received any letters, and that after the last one came he had placed his business in the hands of his lawyers and gone to Italy to live. He had grown tired of his home land, however, after a six months' stay, and believing that his failing to give the money demanded by the blackmailers would be forgotten, he had returned and opened the Hamilton avenue store, his other one having been located in Williamsburg. Since his return to this country he said he had received no threatening letters. The blackmailers, he said, had demanded \$5,000.

## THOMAS, TURFMAN, NOT THE AUTO MAN

Principal in Recent Smash-Up No Relation to E. R. Thomas, of Detroit.

E. R. Thomas, the turfman, of New York, whose 120-horsepower Hotchkiss racer on Friday evening crashed into a light two-horse trap in which two women were driving and who, with a companion and coachman and the two women miraculously escaped, their lives, is not the same E. R. Thomas, of Detroit, manufacturer of the automobile and taxicabs of that name.

The two men are often confused, each having the same initials, but they are no relation to each other.

The E. R. Thomas who figured in Friday's automobile accident gained his first real notoriety on February 12, 1902, when he ran over and killed seven-year-old Henry Theis, the first child victim of an automobile in New York city.

Friday's accident was miraculous in a number of ways. In spite of the fact that the huge machine struck the light trap while going at the terrific speed of sixty-five miles an hour, it resulted only in the killing of the two horses.

Volleyball for boys under nineteen—Won by Towers. Score, 21 to 0.

Final score of points:

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50-yard dash—girls..... 3 3

60-yard dash—boys under 13..... 6 0

60-yard dash—boys under 16..... 2 3

100-yard dash—boys under 13..... 1 5

100-yard dash—boys under 16..... 3 1

50-yard relay—girls..... 9 9

Potato race—boys under 13..... 4 2

Potato race—boys under 16..... 3 3

Running high jump—boys under 16..... 2 4

Running broad jump—boys under 16..... 2 4

Indoor baseball—girls under 16..... 6 0

Tether ball for girls under 16..... 18 0

Croquet for girls under 16..... 0 5

Volleyball—boys under 16..... 4 0

Volleyball—boys under 19..... 12 0

## Plan to Prevent Ocean Wreck Devised by German Scientist

Daily Forecasts Will Be Made on Steamers From Data Obtained by Wireless—Coming to Washington to See Agriculture Secretary.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Shipwrecks at sea are unnecessary, according to Dr. Peter Polls, a German meteorologist, who arrived here today in the steamer Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, as a representative of the German government to consult with the American Department of Agriculture.

The German visitor, who was accompanied by his wife, has inaugurated a system of interchangeable wireless weather reports among transatlantic ships whereby an official weather map is to be issued aboard every cross-sea liner every day, giving weather forecasts up to thirty-six hours, by means of which ships can be warned in time to prepare for any kind of a storm. In the case of smaller vessels coming over the Grand Banks, the forecast can be sent far enough ahead to permit them to take refuge at St. Johns or Halifax.

### In-Touch With Two Continents.

Dr. Polls, who is director of the Ocken meteorological observatory, was in communication every day during the trip across in the Kaiserin with both continents by wireless through ships that were passing between his vessel and either shore.

In this way he got the latest information as to the weather and was able to give particulars to approaching craft. At all hours, day and night, he had a

radius of 1,000 kilometers covered by the Kaiserin's wireless in sending weather bulletins.

On Monday Dr. Polls will start for Washington to try to induce the Weather Bureau to use numerals instead of words in its wireless code system. All nations except America use numerals, the objection to the use of code words, particularly those ending in "ing," being that they are confusing and more difficult to decipher.

### Observations by Kite.

During the voyage of the Kaiserin the German weather expert, by kites flown from the deck, took features of the heavens daily, but on the third day the kite got away and was traveling Europeward at the rate of about thirty miles an hour when last seen.

The last direct shore-to-ship message which the German forecasters received was at a distance of about 3,000 kilometers.

Twice a day the temperature, barometer, force of wind and direction of the air were taken by Dr. Polls and recorded in a map which he displayed on the bulletin board of the ship.

His weather warnings were sent to the Arabis, Lunenburg, La Savoie, and several other vessels going and coming. "Dangers of collision in fogs, the unheralded approach of a storm and consequent danger to life and property," said Dr. Polls, "will be eliminated on the ocean when my plan of daily weather reports is perfected."

## Aero Expert Farman Sails for Paris; "New York Is Disgusting," Wife Says

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—When the American line steamship New York left her pier at the foot of Fulton street, North river, today, one of the best-pleased passengers aboard was Mrs. Henry Farman, wife of the aeroplane expert, who is accompanying her husband home to Paris. Farman himself was glad to get away, though expressing the opinion that later on he might revisit America under more favorable circumstances.

When Farman arrived several weeks ago he was met at quarantine by a tug crowded with members of the Aero Club of America and invited guests. Today when he sailed there was at the pier to bid him good-bye less than a corporal's guard of friends, several of whom were American and French flags as the New York pulled out of her dock. When asked what he had to say about his experience in America, Mr. Farman said: "Of the Americans I have met in New York as a class I have no complaint to make. I was treated courteously, and it was very unfortunate that the financial end of the venture turned out as it did. I bear no ill will to the American people. I like the people of New York, but when I come again to America I will see to it that I will have arranged matters made with a different class of people than the ones with whom I had dealings on this trip. I was able and willing to carry out my share of the contract, but it appears that the other

parties could not do their part. My machine is on another boat, and I will be glad to get back home. Later I may come to America."

Mrs. Farman did not take things so coolly. She was highly indignant and said so.

"I have had enough of New York and the people here," she declared. "The city is disgusting and so are the people. You talk about America, but I do not like it. The people have used my husband badly, and I hope never again to see the country. The idea of not paying him what was coming to him, and then the law! To try to seize his machine. It is abominable."

Afterward, just before the liner sailed, Mrs. Farman excused herself on the ground that she had been so wrought up that she hardly knew what she was talking about. She said that she was on the verge of nervous prostration because of the troubles of her husband, but she did not withdraw the statement of her opinion of New York city as a city.

Among the few persons present to see the aeroplane expert depart were Albert C. Triaca and wife, Paul F. Motteley, author and aeronaut, and William J. Hammer of the Aero Club of America.

### TOPNOTCHERS.

"I've been reading with much interest about these aviators."

"Can they fly?"

"No, but they can talk about it in more technical terms than the ordinary run of airship men."—Exchange.



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## COMPLAINS OF CAR WITH "FLAT" WHEEL

Brightwood Resident States Objections to Trolley Board.

An uneven wheel on a car of the Brightwood line, so bad that a passenger who was bounced about thought it must have been "elliptical," is the cause of the latest unique complaint received by the District Electric Railway Corporation. It was received yesterday and brought the number of complaints received by the commission since its appointment up to the even half-hundred mark.

The complainant is Arthur B. Colburn, an attorney, at 325 Fifth street northwest. He addressed his complaint to the District Commissioners, and by them it was referred to the traction board.

The District Electric Railway Commission will hold a special meeting on Monday afternoon in its rooms in the Westory building. It is understood that the meeting is called for the purpose of considering the data which Secretary H. C. Eddy has collected during his recent investigations into some of the complaints which have been made to the traction board. Overcrowded cars, high steps, lack of through service from such places as Brightwood, and other matters have formed the grounds of the complaints.

### THE PHILOSOPHER.